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For: PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION OF BIODEGRADABLE, FUNCTIONALISED
POLYMER PARTICLES, AND USE THEREOF AS PHARMACEUTICAL
SUPPORTS

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August 31, 2007

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action mailed July 2, 2007 (for which petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time), and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicant elects the subject matter of Group 25, that is claims 59-60, 72-95, directed to a method of producing biodegradable polymer having surface-bound proteins using microorganism transformed with genes encoding comprising polymer synthase gene or fusion thereof.

It is noted that claim 99 is not included in any of the Groups . Clarification is requested in the next Action as to where claim 99 falls in the restriction requirement scheme.

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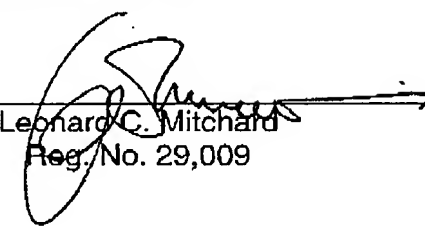
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An examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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